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TAGS PGOV, PREL, PTER, EFIN, AF, IR, YM, AE
SUBJECT: UAE FM DISCUSSES TALIBAN FINANCIAL FLOWS AND REINTEGRATION
WITH AMB. HOLBROOKE AND TREASURY A/S COHEN
CLASSIFIED BY: Richard G. Olson, Ambassador; REASON: 1.4(B), (D)
1. (S/NF) Summary: During a January 11 meeting in Abu Dhabi, visiting Special Representative for Afghanistan and Pakistan (SRAP) Amb. Richard
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12. (S/NF) Amb. Holbrooke began by thanking AbZ for hosting the well-timed SRAP meeting in Abu Dhabi on January 12. AbZ said he was looking for 13. (S/NF) Amb. Holbrooke said the decisions on the Afghan reintegration program and the upcoming elections would be the key deliverables for t DISRUPTING TALIBAN FINANCE

14. (S/NF) Amb. Holbrooke stressed to AbZ the importance of UAE efforts to combat Taliban financial flows through the UAE. Amb. Holbrooke noted 15. (S/NF) AbZ asked several questions about USG concerns and the UAE's response, including if Taliban financial flows are regional and/or trar PAKISTAN - ZARDARI CONCERNS

16. (S/NF) AbZ said he had met with Pakistani President Asif Zardari in Dubai in late December and the latter was "in better shape" than AbZ ex IRAN - AND YEMEN

17. (S/NF) Turning to his late December trip to Iran, AbZ said it was his first meeting with Ahmedinejad that did not include a cleric (murshic 18. (SBU) AbZ said that FM Mottaki was polite and courteous, "for a change" during the December visit. He added that Mottaki called him on Janu 19. (SBU) Amb. Holbrooke's office has cleared this cable. OLSON